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ALEXANDRIA:

TUESDAY MORNING, JUNE 1, 1858.

Death of Com. Thos. Ap. Catesby Jones. It is with sincere regret that we announce the death of Com. Thomas Ap. Catesby Jones, of the United States Navy, who expired, after a long and severe illness, on Sunday night last, about 11 o'clock, in the 69th year | Thomas S. Belland and A. P. Dresser. of his age, at Sharon, his late residence, near Prospect Hill, in Fairfax County, Va. This gallant officer and estimable man, distinguished himself in the war of 1812; and has, ever since then, whenever occasion offered, borne the flag of his country in bonor and in triumph. He was justly esteemed not only by his brother officers, but by the whole community in which he lived. High minded, honorable, and patriotic, he commanded the respect of all who knew bim; and his memory will be long cherished by his friends and neighbors. He made his life always useful; and for several years past had devoted much of his attention to agricultural pursuits-being a good farmer, as well as a brave sailor. Appropriate honors will be paid to the deceased; and they will be honors deserved by a career of devotion to duty and love of coun-

The funeral services of the late Con. Jones, will take place, at Sharon, his residence, on Wednesday, (to-morrow,) the 2d of June, at 11 o'clock, A. M.

The debate in the Senate, last Saturday, on the resolutions reported by the Committee on Foreign Relation, relative to the recent aggressions by British cruisers in the Gulf yesterday, a settled and unanimous purpose to require prompt and adequate redress, and Hale, Toombe, Seward, Douglas, Hayne, and Wilson, all declared themselves of this opinion; and concurred generally in that construction of international law by eminent authorities, which denies absolutely any right of visitation upon the high seas in time of peace. Mr. Toombe declared that he would | board. The slave telonged to James Scott, vote for a resolution, not only to send our of Smithfield, Va., and the schooner was force to prevent these things in future, but captured on Thursday night, in a creek, beto seize these vessels, with or without the authority of the British Government. He believed the military force of the country tion was so great that at one time it was should be placed at the disposal of the Excontive, and that we should either sink these aggressors upon our rights, or seize them and bring them to condign punishment. He and crew of the vessel were committed to Bishop Meade administered the rite of analysis. It is supposed, upon a rough extension of the city or be tarred and feathered. that. Indeed, the tone of several of the Senators, besides Mr. Toombs, (Messrs, Mallory Hale, and Wilson,) was decidedly bellige rent. Mr. Mason was calm, sensible, and yet firm.

The Edinburg Review has a review of the books of Poe, whose writings, both prose and poetry, have not died with their author. It admits that he had genius, but declares that he "was one of the most worthless characters, of whom we have any record in the world of letters." It allows bim those "rare qualities and endowments which entitle him to no mean place on the rolls of the temple of Fame;" and yet brands him as having succecded in attracting and combining in his own person, all the floating vices which genius had bitherto shown itself capable of grasping in its widest and most eccentric orbit. And, alas!

The St. Louis News says that the feeling against the "English" proposition increases in Kansas, and the pro slavery men there concede that it will be defeated. The apathy in regard to the vote on the "Leaveworth" constitution seems to have been the result of a determination to have nothing more to do with illegal constitutions, and remain in a Territorial state.

Leonard Scott & Co., New York, have republished the April number of the Elinburg slavery was not sufficiently protected, and Review. It contains articles on California, then connect herself with the Southern the Eastern Church, Theirs' History of the Consulate and Empire, the Railways of Great Britain, the works of Edgar A. Poe, ral Union we are induced to believe that slathe Speeches of Lord Brougham, Buckler's History of Civilization, the conquest of Oude, and the Derby Ministry. This is one of the best and most interesting numbers of the Edinburg that has appeared for some time past. Robt. Bell, Agent, King street.

The official statements of several of the captains of the vessels, who have been recently intruded upon in the Gulf of Mexico. by the British cruizers, recently communicated to the Senate by the State Department, confirm and agree with the accounts already published in the newspapers.

The majority against the proposed Convention for altering the Constitution of Maryland, in Prince George's County was 600. In the whole State 7,690; with St. Mary's and Calvert counties to hear from, which will still farther increase that majority.

Accounts from Utch, by the way of California, assert that the Mormons, will yield to circumstances, evacuate Salt Lake city. and all the lands north of Utah county, and go South.

The Baltimore American renews its caution against what purports to be the "American Bank of Baltimore," notes of which are in circulation.

The ocean steamers Hermann and Washington, of the Bremen Line, are to be sold at public auction, at New York, on the 17th

The sale of the military reservation, at retary of War for the present.

The Panama Star and Herald of the 18th ult . brings intelligence relating to an attempt "To show the very age and body of the Times." made by Col. Kinney to overthrow the local government at Greytown. Kinney proceeded to take down the Mosquito flag and raise that of Nicaragua, and also arrested the mayor. Kinney, it appears, alleged he was acting by authority of Captain Kennedy of the and Kinney's arrest ordered. Just as the marshal and a large body of citizens were about to put it in force, five of the Jamestown's cutters, filled with armed marines, were observed pulling towards the shore .--The citizens then proceeded to the British consul's to await the course of events, and were engaged in making a protest, when Capt. Kennedy joined them. On hearing of Kinney's acts, and how his name had been done without his permission or approval .--He then read the protest, (having at first refused to do so,) and finding Kinney in the wrong, he said he only wanted to prevent bloodshed. Kinney's party consisted of himself, George R. Gliddon, R. S. Pool,

After this, he (the captain) visited the United States commercial agent, and then had a long interview with Kinney. About eight o'clock he sent a letter to the mayor, stating that he would not interfere to prevent Kinney's arrest, and that he only wished to prevent bloodshed. Next morning a crowd | man is accompanied by her son, John Emory, about Lima. Kinney. At first he threatened to resent, but at length he agreed to surrender to the Americans. This he and his party did, and were subsequently brought to Aspinwall in the British steamer Trent. And thus ends another Fillibuster scheme. In the meantime, it is said, Walker is lying in wait, for a new attempt, if he can raise the men and the money, upon Nicaragua.

The most important of the amendments to the Civil Appropriation bill, adopted by the Senate, on Saturday, comprise appropriations for the various custom houses; for the extension of the court-house portion of the Washington City Hall, so as to provide necessary and suitable accommodations for the eriminal court of the District of Columbia, \$30,000; to enable the Library Committee to complete the payments for the series of portraits of Presidents of the United States, and framing the same, \$5,000; for printing ordered by the 33d and 34th Congresses, and paper for the same, \$80,000; for binding, engraving, &c., ordered by the Senate during the 33d and 34th Congresses, \$113,000; and of Mexico, indicated, as our readers, will for binding, engraving, &c., ordered by the first of Julay next. This gives an unbroken have seen, by the abstract of it published House of Representatives during the same period, \$123,000. An amendment proposed Mr. Brown, of \$5,000, for gravelling Pennsylvania avenue, east of the Capitol, to future immunity. Mesers. Mason, Mallory, the Congressional Burial Ground, was re-

> In the telegraphic despatches published in yesterday's Gazette, it was mentioned that on Saturday, the Schr. Francis French, Capt. Thos. J. Allen, of New Jersey, had been seized at Norfolk, with a slave concealed on low Norfolk. She was taken back to the city, and at the wharf was met by an excited crowd of some 2.000 persons. The indignafeared the parties implicated would be treaing, a town meeting was held. The officers cleared again for the North. B. Loveland, Berjamin Loveland, Caleb Loveland, and Wm. II. Thompson.

In the House of Representatives, on Satarday, Mr. Clay of Kentucky, asked consent to present a bill, the object of which was to restrain and redress outrages on the flag and citizens of the United State ; and authorize the President of the United States to use such force as may be necessary for the purpose; but Mr. Garnett, of Virginia, objected, on the ground that the proposition would convert this Government into a military despotism. The House adjourned without taking any question on the proposition.

The result of the election for Assistant Bishop of the Protestant Episcopal Church, in Pennsylvania, is a triumph of the High Church party; for although Dr. Bowman has not been regarded as an ultra man, he has always sided with the High Churchmen, and he was their candidate at this election, as be was also at the election of 1845.

Virginia, in Case of a Dissolution.

We are trank to say that if we believed, that after a dissolution of the Union, the Southern Confederacy would re-open the "slave trade." then and in that case, we would urge upon Virginia to seek no connection with that Confederacy, until a guarantee was given that her interest in slavery would be protected by her "sisters" of the Southern confederacy. Shall Virginia dissolve this Union for the avowed reason that the institution of | pearance. confederacy, which, by opening the slave trade, would destroy two thirds of the value of the institution in the State? In the Fedcvery is threatened with destruction by our Northern enemies; while in the Southern confederacy, if the councils of the madcaps of the Montgomery Convention are to be potential, slavery in Virginia would be we would have our neighber understand by our Monday's article, which has attracted so much attention: that if our "sisters" of the South entirely disregard the value of the greatest interest in Virginia, and for the present and questionable advantage of the cotton interest, seek the destruction of the value of our slaves, it would demonstrate some curiosity is felt in regard to its effect for two weeks, and constantly damp or that no family affection existed, and Virginia should have no part nor lot in a confederacy so disregardful of her interests .- Richmond Enquirer.

From Central America.

Advices by the Aspinwall steamer at New York, from Bogota, to the 24th of April, state that the Cass-Herran treaty had passed a second reading, and was then referred to a committee. There was also a bill before Congress to repeal the law which went into operation in 1855, making the ports of the Isthmus free for twenty years.

The feeling in Nicaragua against the Cass-Yrisarri treaty was very strong, and the French agent was exerting his influence against its ratification.

A treaty, offensive and defensive, had been signed between the States of Central America, guarantied by France.

President Martinez, we learn by the recent arrival from Central America, had refused to sign the treaty with the United States, and had sent it back to the Nicarsguan Congress with modifications. The point Martinez objected to was the introduction of United States troops when that government should deem it necessary for the protection of the transit and her citizens. Martinez wishes it changed so that the United States the government of Njearagua.

We learn that the commercial panic in Montevideo and Buenos Ayres is the severest that has been felt in that region. Monte-United States frigate Jamestown. Much ex- tablishment of Lafone, brother of the same sides, held without distinction of party, unancitement followed. A town meeting was held, who failed in Liverpool a couple of months imously requested him to resign. He refuspominal amount of the liabilities \$300,000 making balf a million sterling with those of

the Liverpool branch. for sea with dispatch. The Savannah will also be put in trim for active service.

ished in the steamer President. Mrs. Cookcollected to aid the authorities in arresting and daughter, Mary Barton. Two sons of Mrs. Cookman are now stationed preachers of the Methodist Episcopal Church in the city of Philadelphia.

The English correspondent of the Zion's Herald writes:-"Thos. Cooper, the noted sceptic, and author of "The Purgatory of Suicides," has recently become a convert to Christianity; and after having spent thirty years of his life in lecturing and writing against the bible, he is now striving to make reparation for the mischief he must have done, by lecturing in defence of the sacred scriptures.

The Ocean Steamer bill, as it passed the House of Representatives, allows the Post Office department the privilege of making the great contracts heretofore especially regulated by law. The bill appropriates one million five hundred and eighty-one thousand dollars, and provides for the procuring of transportation in cases where failures to perform contracts have occurred and may occur.

It is stated in the Harrisburg Keystone that the Northern Central Railroad will be finished and cars running to Sunbury by the line by rail from Baltimore to Williamsport, Pennsylvania, and thence to the roads of Western New York. The time to Niagara Valls will then be reduced to about tweive hours, and to Erie to less than sixteen hours.

Hon. Edward Morris Erskine is appointed Secretary of the British Legation at Washington. This gentleman, it is said, has seen much diplomatic service at various European courts. He is a grandson of the celebrated Lord Chancellor Erskine, and his mother is a daughter of the late Gen. Cadwaliader, of Philadelphia. His father was formerly minister from England here.

The custom-house in Honolule, Sandwich 000. The news of the robbery caused considerable uneasiness in Honolulu, lest the custom-house vaults might be broken into. It ted with violence, but finally the excitement is thought that full 150 ships have touched somewhat cooled down, and on Friday even- there since January. Most of them have

would be satisfied with nothing short of jail. Their names are: Captain, Thos. J. Confirmation to forty-one applicants, at the amination, that the principal component of that. Indeed the tone of several of the Sen. Allen; mate, Thos. F. Loveland; crew, John Episcopal Church, in Charlottesville, on Wedpesday last. The number confirmed was larger than on any occasion in this diocese for the last year, with the exception of the confirmation at Fredericksburg a few weeks since, when seventy-seven were confirmed.

The Illinois Central Railroad Company Montreal and Ocean Steamship Company, by which passengers can be ticketed through from St. Louis to Liverpool at greatly reduced rates. From St. Louis to Quebec the line of railroads is composed of the Illinois Central and the Grand Trunk railroad of Canada.

tary forces destined for the department of Utah. After a proper testimonial to the high qualities of the late Gen. P. F. Smith, General II. directs military honors appropriate to the rank of the late commander.

It is understood that the whole amount in drafts and coin sent out to St Louis to meet specie and half in drafts. One million in specie arrived on the 22d. The drafts have been, or will be, taken by the Banks and bankers of St. Louis at par.

The Southern steamers at New York on Saturday, brought an immense supply of early vegetables for the city markets. The Jamestown, from Richmond, alone, had 550 bbls. Strawberries are beginning to make their ap-

President Monroe, preparatory to their re- in this respect we are more fortunate than papers. Slave coppers were lying on the moval to Virginia, will probably be deferred many, for a large part of the South has been main deck, and their furnaces in a case in till the 4th of July-not only the anniversary of our national independence, but the anniversary of his death.

last, at Brandenburg, Kentucky, by Stanley Young, in revenge for the murder of his fathcertainly destroyed. This, then, is what er, Sinclair Young, in Harrison county, Indiana, seven years previous. Young immediately mounted a swift horse and escaped. commonly known as the usury bill, passed Annals of Philadelphia.-May 1786-volume during the late session of the Legislature,

upon money operations. necessary that all appropriation bills shall be storm, and no sight of the sun." sent to the President by the middle of the week. The President has determined not to be crowded with such bills on the last day of

were killed at New Orleans, on Friday, the to unblemished even by suspicion with these 20th inst. The same day a Spaniard named Jose Lopex stabbed another Spaniard, Francisco Castillo, so that he died.

The New York Ledger states that at the sister, Fanny Fern, recently met and recognized each other for the first time in seven

There is said to be no foundation for the about as usual for years past.

The eight barrels of flour from new wheat, ground at Augusta, Ga., the arrival of which at New York, was noticed a few days since, have all been sold at \$8 per barrel.

to Washington city.

William Chappell, a member of the Wisconsin Senate, received \$10,000 of the La Crosse and Milwaukie Railroad bribe, two years ago, and was active in corrupting his legislative associates. The Senate, at its re- but no general meeting has taken place .video has suffered a good deal less than ty, and 18 to 9 that he was unworthy of a seat that they have not been conferred with, nor showed that, while, in New York, the great Buenos Ayres, though still the extent and in the body. He, however, retained his seat. variety of the engagements of the great es. A mass meeting at Watertown, where he repreceding, had created wide-spread difficul- ed. The Common Council of that city, a maties, that are inadequately represented in the jority being his political friends, made a similar request by a vote of 7 to 5. But Mr. C.

would not comply. News from Frazer's river, in the British The steam-frigate Wabash is ready for sea possessions, confirming the late extraordinaas soon as she gets her powder on board ry accounts of the gold discoveries, has been which she is taking in at Ellis's Island. She received. Several steamships loaded with will sail direct for the Gulf of Mexico, and miners from all parts of California have the general wish is that she may fall in with started, and the rush is expected to increase made use of, the captain declared that it was | the British steamers whose commanders are | as soon as the news from those who have also insolently carrying out their pretended | ready left shall be received. The mines exright of visitation under the treaty for the tend over a great expanse of country, and suppression of the slave trade. The steamer are "placer" or surface diggings, similar to Arctic has already sailed, and orders have those in the early days of California. They been received to get the frigate Sabine ready | reach across the line into American territory to an unknown distance.

Sir Jne. Pakington has offered to place Bri-Among the passengers that left New York | tish vessels at the disposal of men of science for for England on Wednesday, in the steamer observing the great eclipse of the sun which City of Baltimore, was Mrs. Cookman, the will take place in September next. This widow of the Rev. G. G. Cookman, who per- | eclipse will be total, and its appearance will

> five weeks, has just closed in Elizabeth City. N. C. It was conducted by Rev. W. W. Berry, of the M. E. Church. Forty-seven professed conversion, 45 of whom were received into the Church. The Presbytery of Winchester (Southern

Presbyterian) at its late called meeting at Bunker's Hill, licensed Messrs. John W. M. Clymer, R. L. McMurran, and Robert Walton, to preach the Gospel. The old frigate Constitution, "Old Iron-

sides," has been repaired and coppered at the Portsmouth (N. II.) pavy yard, and zing the Mayor to send an armed vessel sagacious and rising statesman.—Richmond it up with another and perhaps more deciwill be set affoat in a day or two. The postponement of the Land Sales in

next, has been officially announced. J. J. Osborne died at New Orleans on the 18th inst., of sunstroke, the first case report- leaving port, to resist British aggression. The ed there this season.

Metamorphosis of Milk.

A gentleman visited the Mayor's office yesterday, bearing a cup which contained a thick brown substance, ineffensive to the smell, but very disgusting to the contemplation of an imaginative man with a stemach squeamish on the subject of swill milk, of which fluid this mysterious compound was a coagulation. The visitor explained to the Mayor that the contents of the cup were a portion of what some milk purchased by him had been changed into, by some unknown chemical transformation among the ingredients thereof. He bought the milk of dent, with meat. The Bark H. E. Howe, was missing. He thought nothing of it at a man with a cart duly lettered and number- sailed for Detroit River, for a cargo of lumed, according to law, and inscribed "Pure Orange County Milk." His family used some of this delectable beverage for breakfast, and the remainder was placed in a pan and reserved for supper. When the good house-wife went to inspect her lacteal trea-Islands, has been entered and robbed of \$10,- sure in the evening, she was amazed to find purchasers. Holders, however, were firm. that it had "suffered a change" into some- Molasses was unchanged. The news from thing "strange" if not "rich." The entire | the island is unimportant. mass had been metamorphosed as above des cribed, the bulk having been but slightly stuff has been submitted to Prof. Hedricks, was held last night, and Captaia V. Mott now of the Mayor's office, for chemical and W. Dannenberg were ordered to leave dealers are said to be in the habit of doctoring watered milk, to give it a suitable consistency and flavor .- N. Y. Jour. of Com.

Virginia Iron for Rallroads. We are glad to see that public attention is being roused to the importance of using | per cent reduction from the currency of have lately effected arrangements with the American iron for railway purposes, instead | this day week. Freights are also lower and of the miserable English article which a quoted at from 5 164 to 11. most unwise and suicidal policy on the part of the American-and we may emphatically say Virginis-people has allowed to be laid down on most of the reads of this the recent eagerness of the British cruisers to and, though totally uneducated, is still incountry. The lately published fact that the make captures of the Slavers: iron first laid down twenty-eight years ago on By a general order, dated May 17th, Gen. the Boston and Providence road is yet in Harney assumes the command of the mili- excellent condition, though in contant use, and weighing only 45 lbs. to the yard, is of significant importance. The secret of this prize ever captured in the slave trade. durabity lies in the simple fact that the material of these rails was of good quality .--Had such a policy been pursued in this country-and especially in this State, that our American iron mines would have been openened to competition in railway iron, this exthe army expenditure, is \$2,000,000, balf in cellent quality would have been kept up .--Instead of this however the matter of quality was entirely overlooked, and the English 9 and 10 a.m., she baving sailed from Hamanufacture was entirely relied upon, simply vana on the previous night, to purchase and because they could produce a given quantity at a less sum than it could be afforded for here .-- Lynchburg Virginian.

The Rains.

remarks, in reference to the weather : "That we are not completely drowned out. is simply because forty days of continuous beave to until two more shots were thrown. The exhumation of the remains of the late rain do not necessarily make a deluge; though We boarded and examined her. She had no disastrously flooded, and the Western prai- the square of the main batchway, marked ries are full of water. Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, and Missouri have suffered most.

"The 27th instant was the fortieth rainy Wm. Marsh was shot dead on Wednesday day in April and May-just the length of and numbered, but not in its place. 350 election, he stated that he was, as he had always ancient Noah's experience in bydrauliesand though at the end of this period we do immense quantity of rice, faring, coffee, dried dignation the imputed aid said to have been not look out upon a similar scene of desola- sait fish, 18 puncheons of rum, and other tion and rain, yet like him we regard the necessaries. The Styx shares, but the Jasper abatement of the waters with satisfaction. will share in the proceeds of a prize taken This long and remarkable wet 'term,' is, the previous day by the Styx."-English Gov. Packer, of Pennsylvania, having sign- however, not without precedent, as we learn Paper. ed the bill regulating the rate of interest, from the following memorandum in Watson's 2d, page 631.

"Remarkable for the absence of the sun rainy weather. It continued for forty-two As this is the last week of the Session, it is days, being all the time a cold northeast

Defaications in Tennessee.

Rumor was rife upon the streets yesterday of most astounding disclosures to be made by the Legislative Committee now in session Jonas Tiner, a drayman, a native of Cork, in this city, in regard to defalcations, rob-Ireland, and Henry Keen, also an Irishman, beries and thefts, connecting names hithercrimes. Rumor says that the defulcations run up to vast sums. The chief defaulter is the Secretary of State, Dr. T. N. W. Burton who has "vamesed." The clerk of the Comptroller's office, also, is charged with stuffing his funeral of a relative, N. P. Willis and his pocket with coupons whenever he was in want of small change. The coupons were lying about 'loose," it is said, begging to be booked. Dr. Burton has heretolore borne an irreproachable character, and his lapse will be a source of great mortification to his family current rumor that Judge Taney thinks of rc- and friends. It is attributed to fast living signing the Chief Justiceship. His health is and the foils of gambling .- Gallatin (Tenn.)

TOILET ARTICLES .- Hair Brushes from 121 cts up to the finest Buffalo and Whaleone; Teeth, and Finger Brushes; Tuck, Side, Dressing, Pocket, Bonnet, fine Ivory, and India Rubber, fine and long Combs, Soaps, Lilly Rock Island, has been postponed by the Sec- cannot bring troops without the request of Major Gen. Wool is on a visit of business White, Powder Puffs, &c., received and for sale JOHN H. PARROTT. [je 1]

Telegraphic Despatches.

WASHINGTON, May 29 .- Men of all parties tion of the "Peoples' Party of the Union," given their consent to the proposed new organization.

The Ordnance ship Plymouth, Capt. Dahlgreen, left this morning for the Gulf. She hands in high spirits.

"through" and "way" mails from the South is annually left in debt \$6,020. will arrive here at I o'clock A. M. and 2 P. M. instead of at 5 A. M. and 3 P. M. as at pres-The Baltimore and Obio Railroad Compa-

A meeting which was protracted through arriving at Cincinnati in 28, and St. Louis in 44 hours.

New York, May 30 .- It is rumored that from England. This is unreliable.

against the British cruisers. An indignation meeting on the subject of the British outrages Kansas till the 1st and 15th of November was held this atternoon, at which some 5,000 persons were present, General Palfrey presiding. Resolutions were passed, recommending every vessel to arm and equip before greatest enthusiasm prevailed.

died at his residence in this city at a late Major Walker was born in Vermont, and | paper : entered the service in July, 1819. He was

of Major, in December, 1839. sels sailed to-day for Liverpool, direct : Bark D. C. Pierre, schooner D. B. Sexton, with foot. He merely glanced at it, and happened stores and lumber, and schooner Correspon-

ber, and thence to Liverpool. New York, May 30 -The steamer Empire City arrived here this evening from Havans with dates to the 25th. Sugars were to 1 real higher until the receipt of the Isabei's news, which caused a pause among

NORFOLK, May 30 .- There is a great excitement here in consequence of abolitionists diminished in the process. The anomalous running off slaves. An indignation meeting

hably take place in September.

NEW ORLEANS, May 27. The Cotton mar-

Capture of a Rich Slaver.

The following, perhaps, may account for A letter from an officer on board the gunnat Jasper, Lieutenant and Commander H. Pym, says: - "We have captured and brought n, I may safely say, the largest and richest is a full rigged and fast sailing ship of 750

tons burthen, with a full slave equipment, and provisions for sustenance. She also had on board specie in gold to the amount of 2260 ounces, Spanish and Mexican, or about £8500 sterling. Her name and nation unknown. We captured her on the north side of Matanzas, on the 22d of March, between bring over slaves for the Island of Cuba. We had rather an exciting chase for about four and a-balt hours. At 7 a. m., the Stvx (6 paddle, Commander Vessey) hove in sight, joined in the chase, but kept astern of The Journal of Commerce of Saturday last, us till the prize was taken. She, however, stood on till we were within a mile of her. when she lowered her royals, but did not to be going. We also found slave tins and square plank for slave deck, marked, fitted. 'leagers,' and 300 tons of water in them, an

African Pic-Nic.

We wish some of the northern sympathisers for the poor abuse! slaves at the South. could have been here on Tuesday: they would have had a rare opportunity of seeing how little that class require or care for their sympathy-which, by the way, has never yet extended beyond a regular system of agitation in and out of Congress, for the purp se of engendering sectional animosities and securing party and selfish ends.

It was a holiday-and some hundred and upwards of colored "ladies and gemmen," having obtained permission to occupy the little farm called "Wetwood," adjoining the Agricultural fair ground, for the occasion, repaired thither in carriages, all in their high-day and holiday costume, to a pic-nie; and such feasting and fiolicking and mirth and glee, was enough to core the megrims and dumbfound the Abolitionists. The "ladies" displayed their crinolines and the gemmen their ivory in high perfection, and such a scene of hilarity and good cheer was worth seeing .-All was, however, conducted with decorum; and order and sobriety ruled .- Norfolk Her.

CIOUNTRY PRODUCE.-Fine, Superfine, and Extra Flour; Lard; tub and roll Butter, Bacon, Corn Meal, Maple Sugar, Beeswax, Tallow, Deer Skins, Timothy and Clover Seed For sale by GRAY, MILLER & CO. corner of King and Water-sts.

MANVASS FOR ARTISTS, by the yard, or on any size stretchers, for sale by
J. LEADBEATER & SON, Stabler's old stand. Expenditures on Custom Houses.

In a late debate in the House of Represenopposed to the policy of the administration tatives, on appropriations for certain Custom have been consulted in regard to the forma- Houses, Hon. John Letcher, of Virginia, brought to light some curious facts. One of the propositions was for \$360,000 for the cuscent session, voted 24 to 5, that he was guil- Prominent Republicans in Congress state tom house in New Orleans, and Mr. Letcher importing port of this country, a custom house was built for \$1,105,000, the custom house in New Orleans had swallowed up \$2 -670,000, and in all probability \$2,000,000 has an armament of one eleven-inch and four more will be demanded to complete it. He nine inch shell guns, and a crew of 212 men. then mentioned Oswego, in New York, where She is in a high state of efficiency, and all \$113,000 has been already appropriated to build a custom house, and where \$12,000 In addition to the changes recently noted has been paid for a job, and a contract made in the transportations of the great Southern to build it for \$77,000. There is \$89,000 for mails, an alteration is expected to take effect which it was to have been completed, while on the first of July, by which all the through | there has been already appropriated \$113,800, mails from New York and Washington to all and they are now asking for \$10,000 more. points below Washington will be greatly ex- Worse than that, at that point, after taking pedited. It is now anticipated that both the postage and the revenue, the Government Mr. Leteher then proceeded to mention

other similar cases, and produced, elaborately prepared statistical tables, showing the places where custom houses, &c., have been finished ny are about making further and important since 1850, the revenue collected at each, changes on their lines, to facilitate the trans- cost of collection for the last fiscal year, with are under consideration to-day. portation of the mails both from Washington total cost of building; and, also, some points to the east and via the Washington junction | in regard to custom houses now constructing; | from present prospects, the Conference canto the West. By these arrangements the also with those which have been authorized, passengers and mails leaving here in the but not commenced, &c., &c. Under the first morning will reach Cincinnati before noon head, the total excess of cost of certain costhe next day; and two other trains, one in tom houses over revenue, is \$36,366.24. The be best seen in South America, particularly the afternoon and another in the evening, nice little port of Barnstable, Mass., figures will make still prompter mail connections, under this head with an excess of cost over revenue of \$10,490 55. Under the latter head, "places where custom-houses are now constructing," &c., a number of ports are Lord Napier, the British Minister, has des- mentioned, whose total cost is \$32,000 more patched a vessel hence to the Gulf, ordering | than their revenue; and the remaining tathe British Admiral to abstain from further bles show similar results. A great deal of interference until advices have been received money has been thrown away in this extrav. bottom of the whole affair. Tom had, not agant manner. We are glad that Mr. Let- withstanding the liquor law, found access to The brig J. A. Taylor from Sagua was cher, with his accustomed ability and bold- a considerable amount of mean whiskey, boarded there on the 8th by a boat from the ness, keeps his keen eye upon the appropria-Styx. The officer asked where the vessel was tions, and his strong hand upon the door of bead. On his arrival at home, some altereafrom and where bound and examined her the treasury. They do not get in now very often, without a searching scrutiny, and a when he drew a knife, and inflicted a severe New Orleans, May 28.—Resolutions have stout resistance, if necessary, from this hon- wound upon her throat in close proximity to been offered in the Common Council, author- est and fearless representative, as well as

Romance in Real Life.

The Bucyrus (Quio) Journal says that a man living near there lost his wife some years ago in Homer, New York, that they had a little girl which he gave to a friend, and left the country. He was gone ten years, Court. and returned, but could find no trace of his St. Louis, May 29 .- Major Benjamin child. She had two marks by which he might Walker, Paymaster, United States Army, know her-one toe was gone, and she had a R M. Johnston, City Sergeant of Portsmouth: sear on her arm. The man gave her up as and Thomas B. Butt, Sheriff of Norfolk county hour last night. He was buried with military lost to him, and finally settled near Buoyrus honors at Jefferson Barracks this afternoon, and married. The rest we give from that

"About six weeks ago he happened to pass commissioned as Paymaster, with the rank by the room in his house occupied by a servant girl who had resided with him for nearly CLEVELAND, May 29 .- The following ver- two years, at a time when she was about to retire, and, the door being open, he saw her to notice that the little toe of the right foot the time, but after retiring, the idea struck him that it might be the daughter be had searched for so long. At first he dismissed the thought as improbable, but it still forced itself upon him, until finally he requested his have adopted this plan to try and extricate wife to go to the room and ascertain whether or not marks of a scald were upon her right

"She went, and to his immense delight, reher parents, that her earliest recollections | making large preparations for a crowd of were that she had lived somewhere in the visitors. We hope they will not be disap-East, with a family named - (naming the | pointed-all who patronize us shall have the ROCHESTER, May 28 .- Judge Wells has family she had been left with by the woman worth of their money, and aside from that granted a writ of error and stay of proceed- originally intrusted with her,) and at their they will have spent it in aid of a good cause. ings in the case of Ira Stour, convicted of the death she was taken charge of by the overmurder of C. W. Littles. The trial will pro- seers of the poor, a place provided for her, and she had come to Bucyrus with a family, and had supported herself by doing houseket has declined, and parcels are offered at work since. This tallied so nearly with the already ascertained facts in the case that the next day the father started east with her, and visiting the different points she had named, ascertained, to his great joy, that she was in truth his daughter. She is an extremely Brady, George W beautiful girl, of great natural intelligence, Bowen, Leeds L teresting. She is now at Granville, Obio, receiving an education to fit her for the new station she has assumed in life."

Change in the Valley Mails.

By a change in the mail arrangements, the Mail from from Staunton will, in future, arrive at Harrisonburg at 81 o'clock in the morning, and the Manassas Gap mail will arrive at 2 o'clock in the morning. This Dickson, John "arrangement" is all wrong, and by no means satisfactory to any portion of the people of the Valley living between Staunton and Winchester. It delays the transmission of the great mail from the East and South twelve hours! and of the mail from the North and East at least seven hours! We are pleased to learn that a petition is in circulation, asking a return to the former schedule, which the Postmaster General cannot refuse to grant .-Rockingham Register.

DVERTISEMENT -In the Evening Bul-A letin, a sheet published in Washington, ncipally devoted to the municipal election in that city, is the following article, which I wish re-published in Alexandria, for the benefit of the citizens of that place: A CITIZEN. SODOM REGENERATED .- A friend from Alex andria informs us that one of the officers elect-

"Marseilles," to which place they pretended ed in Alexandria, on the "American" ticket, disclaimed all obligation to that faction. At a congratulatory meeting at his house after his been, a Democrat, and that he refused with ininvoked by him from the Know-Nothings." STRAYED HORSES.—Broke fence and strayed away, early on Friday morning

last, two HORSES, which were traced along he Alexandria Loudoun and Hampshire Rail road; and last heard of, at 11 o'clock, on Friday morning, a mile or more south of the Columbia Matthews, W C Furnpike, where it is supposed they strayed into some open commons. One, a horse, is aged; of a dark bay color; the other, a mare, 5 years old, a bright bay or sorrel, with white face and Page, Benjamin feet. A suitable reward will be paid for their Plum, Joseph Capt recovery, by the subscriber. EDW. KING, City Road, Alexandria DIBLES, HYMN BOOKS, &c .- I have re

D ceived a new assortment of BIBLES for very day use; also, Methodist, Baptist, and Presbyterian HYMN BOOKS, Prayer Books, Jay's Prayers, Jay's Morning and Evening Exercises, &c. [je 1] JOHN H. PARROTT. MISH! FISH!!-

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BOXES Oswego Starch, also, Corn Starch, just received from New York, and for sale by [my 28] JOHN A. DIXON. Post Office, Rice's Store, Westmoreland County, dec 5—11 BOXES Oswego Starch, also, Corn Starch,

By Yesterday Evening's Mails.

GENERAL CONFERENCE OF THE M. E. CHURCH SOUTH .- NASHVILLE, May 25 .- The Conference reached a conclusion yesterday in the case of Bishop Early, which was expressed

in the words following, viz: Resolved, "That, after a patient consideration of the complaints made against Bishop Early, the Conference deeply regrets there is any ground for said complaints; nevertheless. inasmuch as the complaints submitted do not impeach the purity of his character, nor his fealty to the church, but refer to the manner of his administration; and furthermore, in view of the explanations made by Bisbup Early, and his expressed willingness to guard against giving offence in future-on the points above referred to-his character do now pass."

This resolution was passed by a rising vote. It seems to have met the views of all parties. and appears to have given general satisfation. Thus, a case which has occupied three or four days of the Conference, and elicited protracted and earnest debate, has been disposed of, and the Conference is now engaged in the consideration of other subjects.

The claims of the American Bible cause There is much business yet to be done, and not adjourn before the 2d or 3d of June -Southside Democrat.

ATTEMPT TO MURDER.-A free negro, named Thomas Smith, residing on Halifax street a short distance beyond the Rope-Walk, was arrested yesterday and placed in jail, charged with having made a desperate attempt to take the life of his wife by cutting her throat with a jack-knife. It appears, from what in formation we could gain, that rum was at the which, in turn, soon found its way into Toms tion ensued between him and his better-half. the carotid artery, and would have followed eive blow, had he not been prevented by the interposition of persons present .- South Side

Virginia Election, Augusta .-- Imboden, Clerk of the County Court; N. C. Kenney, Clerk of the Circuit

Norfolk .- I. Williams, Clerk of County Court; Mr. Steed, Commissioner of Revenue Campbell .- J. D. Alexander, Clerk of the Circuit Court; G. W. Dabney, Clerk of the County Court; R. O. Doss, Sheriff, no opposi

Bedford-William H. Pate, Sheriff; Albon A. Arthur, and Rowland D. Bedford, re-elected Clerks of the County and Circuit Courts [COMMUNICATED.

Permit me through the columns of the Gazette, to call the attention of this communi ty, to the Strawberry Festival to come off this week, for the benefit of the Young Men's Christian Association. They are in debt, and

The Association is too well known in this city, for me to attempt to show what they have ported that the mark was there. The poor done, and are now doing; suffice it to say they man was so positive of her identity, that the are still at work and they will continue, so girl was awakened, and in the middle of the long as the tempter holds a captive-be that night was questioned as to her origin. She captive old or young. The ladies have taken could only tell them that she did not know the management of the Festival, and are

> IST OF LETTERS remaining in the Post Office, at Alexandria, Va., on the 31st day of May, 1858. Persons calling for Letters in this list, will please say they are advertised.

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